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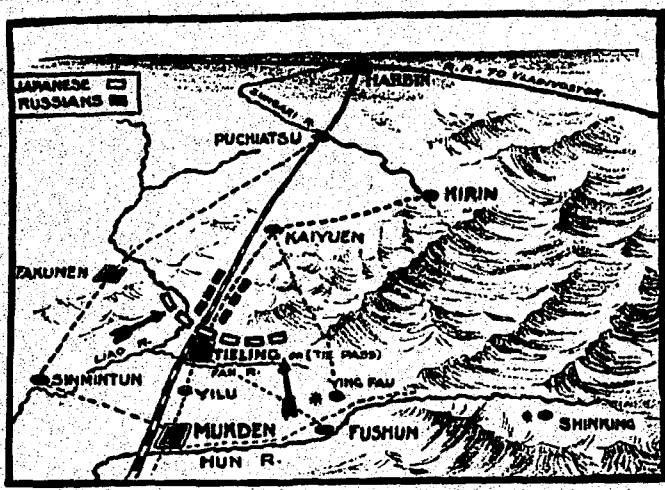
## PROGRESS OF THE RUSSEAN WAR

The battle of Mukden was one of the greatest of the world's history in the number of men engaged, the extent of the battle line and the long duration of the fighting. Probably it was also the greatest, or rather the most terrible, in the number of casualties. There are those who believe that it was as great as the greatest in the importance of the issues that are at stake. Surely these are superlatives enough for one battle in this "prosaic" age.

Oyama won the battle of Mukden more by tactics than by strategy. Strategically the battle presented few features not familiar to all students of war. It possessed but one element of surprise—Nogi's sensational march around the Russian right wing—and even that might have failed had Kuropatkin's scouts been properly led. But aside from Nogi's dramatic swing around the right there was not a feature of Oyama's strategy that the Russian commander-in-chief had not foreseen.

What Kuropatkin had not provided against, however, and what his divisions could not cope with were the masterly tactics with which Oyama's simple strategy was executed. From the beginning of the battle on Feb. 17, when Lihuevitch vainly tried to turn the Japanese right sixty-one miles south-east of Mukden, until March 5, when Kaulbars' exhausted divisions were crushed at the Imperial fortress, eight miles north of Mukden, Oyama's generals moved with the precision of automata. Kaulbars' sweeping advance to Da-pa-shan—Kuroki's bold crossing of the Sun-Nodan's impetuous assaults on Dautloff hill—Oki's hammering blows at Chintan—Nogi's dramatic march around the Russian right—all were timed and executed with a precision that proved that a master mind was directing the keyboard of battle.

The fighting at Mukden has served to illustrate with remarkable clearness both the extraordinary military proficiency of the Japanese and the advantages they enjoy in other respects. Kuropatkin had one point in his favor—the ability to operate entirely within his own lines. This was offset by a sad lack of initiative, which was his undoing. The superiority of the Japanese in numbers, their ability to refresh themselves with reinforcements, their consciousness of victories already won, the absolute unity of action among their general officers and the



LINE OF KUROPATKIN'S RETREAT.

The map shows the location of Tieling, or Tie Pass, which the Japanese dislodged the retreating Russians after severe fighting. Tieling is an important walled town, and is considered to be a strategic point of great value. It is about thirty-five miles north of Mukden. The next large city north of Tieling is Kaiyuen, thirty miles away. Nogi's army is believed to have made the attack from the west that compelled Kuropatkin to evacuate Tieling. It will be remembered that Nogi's turning operations west of Mukden practically surprised the Russians, and also compelled the retreat from that city. A few days ago Kuropatkin telegraphed that the Japanese had procured new levies, as several of the men killed were found to be wearing new uniforms. Military experts are inclined to believe that the fighting north of Tieling is being done by fresh troops from Japan, and that the exhausted and harassed Muscovite forces are in great peril. Kuropatkin's retreat northward, it is said, may become a parallel to the disastrous retreat of Napoleon from Moscow. The stars in the map mark the location of towns also mentioned in connection with the victorious operations of the Japanese.

## TIE PASS IS TAKEN.

Japanese March Into Stronghold Following a Bloody Battle North. The Pass has been occupied by the victorious forces of the Mikado, and Kuropatkin's army, disorganized, hungry, and beaten, has entered upon its long, hopeless flight over the 300 starving miles to Harbin.

It is generally believed in Tokio that this last defeat of the general of the Clear is, in all probability, the practical finish of his beaten army, and though but little news of a definite nature has been received before the late announcement of the capture of Tie Pass, it is recognized that the task of transporting such a beaten and disorganized mass across the desert to Harbin is one beyond the power of any general.

With but 100,000 men left who are fit for active service and with a number of

## ARMY HEAD DISGRACED.

Gen. Kuropatkin Dismissed by Czar Without a Word of Praise.

With the Japanese hanging on the heels and flanks of the remnants of the broken, defeated Russian army, Gen. Kuropatkin, the old idol of the private soldier, has been dismissed and disgraced. The Russian military annals contain no more bitter imperial rebukes.

While it was known that the war council had already decided to supplant Kuropatkin after the Mukden disaster, the decision to confer the task of saving the remainder of the army on Lihuevitch in the very midst of its night came as a surprise.

It transpires that Emperor Nicholas upon the advice of Gen. Dragomiroff and War Minister Sakharoff determined that the step was necessary when it became apparent that Kuropatkin, while concentrating for a stand at Tie Pass, seemed unaware that the Japanese had worked around and westward again and practically allowed himself to be surprised. Old reports brought by Gen. Gripenberg regarding Kuropatkin's falling mentality also had influence.

Under the circumstances therefore it was considered imperative in view of the exceedingly perilous position of the army to turn over its command to Lihuevitch, who alone had been able to bring off his army in order after the battle of Mukden.

The task confided to Lihuevitch of withdrawing what is left of the great army of 350,000 men to Harbin is a desperate one. He is hemmed in on all sides. Gen. Kawamura presumably is pressing northward through the mountains eastward, ready to swoop down. Gen. Nogi and Oki are on the west of the Russian forces; the whole line of the railroad is threatened, if not already cut, and Chinese bandits are even reported to be in the rear of Harbin. Napoleon's plight in the retreat from Moscow with Kutusoff's Cossacks harassing the starving, freezing Frenchmen, was hardly as bad or dangerous.

## WAR NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Russian war office will send 400,000 more troops to Manchuria.

Russia is sending a steady stream of war material to the Indian frontier.

Grand Duke Vladimir says Russia will send another army to the far East.

Russians are charged with burning wounded Japanese soldiers in Manchuria.

Thousands of Russian soldiers were captured by the Japanese when Mukden fell.

Gen. Gripenberg, in an interview at St. Petersburg, bitterly assailed Gen. Kuropatkin.

The Russian government paid to Great Britain \$25,000 in settlement of the North Sea claims.

The British steamer Easty Abbey, from Cardiff, bound for Vladivostok, was seized by the Japanese.

Gen. Stossel, the hero of Port Arthur, met with a cool reception upon his arrival in St. Petersburg.

Russia urged China to protest against the violation of the neutrality of Chinese territory by the Japanese.

The disaster to the Russian army has revived talk of peace in Europe. The opinion prevails that peace is inevitable.

The Japanese steamer Oosaka Shosen Kaisha sank while entering Osaka harbor, and over one hundred lives were lost.

The British steamers Apollo and Scotsman, with contraband cargoes for Vladivostok, were captured by Japanese warships.

## ALMOST A SEDAN.

Kuropatkin Escapes with Only 50,000 of His Army of 350,000.

The remnant of the Russian army in dejected confusion succeeded in battling a way to Tie Pass through a relentless gauntlet of Japanese artillery. Kuropatkin, in person, led the Russian right flank in desperate effort to hold at bay the armies of Nogi and Oki. Meantime a portion of the retreating army got just the immediate danger point. The retreat continued under a hail of shrapnel and shells from Japanese artillery occupying positions parallel to the line of retreat. Thousands of Russians toiled northward, mile after mile, their trail a trail of death, as thousands were mowed down by the awful rain of steel. The Russian vanguard reached Tie Pass, but southward, with undiminished fury, the rear guard battle went on, the Japanese still manfully struggling to make the blow final.

The losses are estimated at 200,000 to both armies. The Japanese have taken thousands of prisoners, and their capture of guns, munitions and stores are of enormous proportions. It is reported by way of Tokio that only 50,000 of the Russians who were defending Mukden escaped to Tieling. The Russian casualties are known to be over 100,000.

The Russians had in battle 376 battalions of infantry, 178 squadrons of cavalry, and 171 batteries of artillery. In other words, Gen. Kuropatkin's army consisted of 300,000 infantry, 26,700 cavalry, and 1,308 guns. The total number of the Japanese forces is not stated, but it is vaguely estimated at 700,000 men of all arms.

Forecasts as to the final issue differ. Some prophesy the practical annihilation of the Russians in a series of small battles in the mountains, between Fushun and Tieling. Others think the Russians will be able to make another stand at Tieling, and that consequently the coup de grace may be postponed.

## MRS. CHADWICK FOUND GUILTY.

Woman Is Convicted on Each of Seven Counts for Conspiracy.

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## PERISH IN FIRE.

Score of Persons Burned to Death in New York Tenement.

At least a score of persons were burned to death, several were so badly hurt that they may die, and forty others received slighter injuries in a fire that destroyed a five-story New York tenement house early Tuesday. The fire had gained great headway before it became known to most of the tenants and many of them were cut off before they could make an attempt to save themselves. Scores were carried from the blazing building. Firemen climbed the walls on their ladders, braved the flames and reached the imperiled tenants.

Crowded fire escapes in the rear of the tenement house were largely responsible for so many deaths and injuries among its population, which approached 200. The scenes about the building after the fire when the search for the dead was being made were heartrending. Nothing so pitiable had been seen in New York since the Shuman disaster.

The fire started in the basement, occupied by Isaac Davis, his wife and three children. Davis had been out Monday night and returned to his home early Tuesday morning, went into his store on the same floor just in time to see a kerosene lamp in the room explode. He awoke his wife and had tried to put out the flaming lamp, but without success, and then gave all their attention to getting their children out of the building. A policeman who heard the cry of alarm rushed to the scene and every effort was made to rouse the sleeping persons in the house.

Meantime the flames had spread with startling rapidity, and when the persons who had been asleep on the upper floors awoke they found themselves confronted by a wall of flames on nearly every side. On some of the fire escapes the rubbish was packed so closely that it became impossible to pass certain points, and men, women and children stood literally roasting to death as the flames raged through windows around them. Many women flung their children into the arms of men standing on the sidewalk.

A frenzied crowd gathered in front of the police station, weeping, wailing and lamenting for the dead. As rapidly as possible they were permitted to examine the bodies in the court yard, where their lament grew louder. Unable to recognize their missing relatives in the charred, almost featureless bodies they saw before them, many turned away, faint and sick at the awful sight.

## ANOTHER WAR IN THE SPRING.

Macedonia to Fight Turkey with Arms Paid for by Miss Stone's Ransom.

Advices received in Washington make it certain that as soon as the winter melts in the Balkan mountains there is certain to be war and destruction. The restraining hand of Russia, which has prevented hostilities between Bulgaria and Turkey, is no longer forceful, and the attempts which have been made by the Austrian and Russian ambassadors at Constantinople to induce the Sultan to behave properly have accomplished nothing. The revolutionary element in Macedonia has obtained funds in some manner, and is said to be well supplied with arms and ammunition, while the Bulgarian government has been preparing for war all winter, and is likely to provoke an invasion by the Turks, which has been prevented by Russian influence for the past three years. Being no longer in a position to co-existence with Russia, Russia will not have so much influence.

To understand the situation it is necessary to go back three years to the time when Miss Stone, the American missionary, was a prisoner of the so-called bandits—really a band of conspirators representing the Macedonian committee, which exists for the purpose of emancipating Macedonia from Turkish rule, has its headquarters at Sophia, Bulgaria, and spent her ransom for guns and powder. This committee is very much like the junta that encouraged and directed the revolution in Cuba from 1890 to 1898. It collects funds, buys arms and ammunition, and equips insurrectionary parties which invade Macedonia to take revenge upon the Turkish empire for the crimes committed by the Bulgarian government sympathizers with the committee; almost every man, woman and child in the kingdom belongs to it, and contributes money for revolutionary purposes as a sacred duty. Up to this time Turkey has not attacked Bulgaria because of fear of Russia, although the Sultan has had great provocation in the encouragement and assistance which the Bulgarians have given to the revolutionists across the border.

The journeyman tailors have voted to have a regular convention date once in four years.

Of the 135,561 freight cars ordered for American railroads last year 35,000 were of steel construction.

A machine is being perfected in a Birmingham shop that is to turn out from 90,000 to 100,000 finished wire nails an hour.

The American inventor, apparently, never takes a vacation. The government issued 597 patents one day last week, and there are plenty more applications pending.

The manufacture of motor cars and their accessories has become one of the most important French industries. From a total of 1,850 automobiles in 1898, valued at \$1,002,000, the output in 1904, according to the Chamber syndicate de l'Automobile de France, has grown to 22,000 cars, of an estimated value of \$24,000,000.

A colony of railroad men from this country will go to Japan in the near future to assist in Americanizing the railroads there under Japanese government control.

A general movement is on foot at New York to increase the wages of washerwomen to \$1.50 a day and car fare. Now the women get \$1.25 for a day's work away from home.

Twenty-seven thousand men are now employed at the Krupp works at Essen, Germany, the highest number ever employed there. In the heavy gun department men are working in double shifts.



GENERAL KUROPATKIN, THE DISGRACED RUSSIAN COMMANDER.

devotion and courage of their soldiers prevailed. While Kuropatkin was dependent on one frail railway line, the Japanese were within easy access of their base at Newchwang, with practically no risk of their communications being interfered with.

That the battle of Mukden was the greatest in the history of war may readily be believed. In round numbers the Russian force engaged was 375,000, with 1,500 guns. The Japanese army is believed to have exceeded these figures in strength by perhaps 40,000 men.

It is impossible to analyze, as yet, the effect of the disaster upon the Russian bureaucracy. The Russian people naturally are for peace at any price. The Russian officials, it seems, have not or cannot make up their minds. There is a strong war party in court circles at St. Petersburg and dispatches from the Russian capital are burdened with hints of another campaign to be undertaken, of another great army of 400,000 men to be raised, of another stand to be made at Harbin.

wounded equally as large, it is easy for the Japanese to see that their victory-flushed armies have the Russians practically at their mercy and the population of Tokio is already eagerly awaiting what they believe is sure to come—the news that Oki, Nogi and Kuroki have been in the fleeing Kuropatkin on the desert beyond Tie Pass, that the Russian star has forever set in the far East and that the flower of Japan's blood and tears has come to the fruition of supremacy.

The Russians burned the greater portion of their stores and supplies before evacuating Mukden.

The Japanese occupied Singhaiing March 17. Singhaiing, or Yenlu, is situated about eighty miles almost due east of Mukden.

Wiped Out an Insurance Fund.

The burning of the docks of the Illinois Central railroad at New Orleans in the big fire the other day inflicted a loss of \$1,700,000. This does not fall upon the regular insurance company but upon the railroad which insured its property and which wipes out its insurance fund.

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## ANOTHER GIRL SLAIN

BODY FOUND IN CREEK IN CIN-  
CINNATI SUBURB.

Young Woman Thought to Have Been  
Fourth Victim of "Lovers' Lane"  
Murderer—Body of Supposed Mur-  
derer's Accomplice Taken from River.

The body of a woman, evidently the victim of a murder, was found in a bloody stream, in North Cincinnati, a suburb of Cincinnati. A knife wound over the heart was the evident cause of death. The corpse had probably been in the water for several weeks, and decomposition was so far advanced as to render identification difficult. It is the theory of the police that the murder was committed in another portion of the city and that the body was concealed in a sewer and was washed out by the recent high waters into Bloody Run creek. The body is apparently that of a woman of 22 years. The police say that the only chance of identification will be through the remains of the clothes, as the features are entirely indistinguishable.

## MURDERER KILLS ACCOMPLICE.

St. Paul Slayer Makes Away with One  
Who Assisted in Another Crime.

The body of a young man, alleged accomplice of Edward Gotschalk, who is charged with the murder of Charles Schindler, was found in the Mississippi river at St. Paul, by the police, who have been dragging the river for days on the supposition that after having assisted in the murder of Schindler, Hartmann was then killed. Upon his feet were tied two heavy flatirons to keep the body from rising to the surface. On the back of the head was a cut, apparently made with a flatiron.

## SEVENTY-FOUR DIE IN MINE.

Rescued Party Is Overcome by a Sec-  
ond Explosion.

Fourteen men, comprising a rescue party which went in the Tush Run and Red Ash mines near Thurmond, W. Va., to bring out the bodies of the ten men who perished in an explosion the previous night, were caught by a second explosion Sunday and were killed to a man. The twenty-four charred and mangled bodies are still in the mines, which are joined together. Soon after the rescue party entered the mine the gas which had accumulated in the mine, and which had been ignited by the explosion, exploded, and the impact were killed by the after damp.

## New Railroad Bridge Opened.

The new East Omaha bridge over the Missouri river of the Illinois Central railroad, connecting Omaha and Council Bluffs, was formally opened Saturday in the presence of a party of Illinois Central railroad officials, local railroad officials, members of the Omaha and Council Bluffs commercial clubs and invited guests.

## Thieves Get Summary Justice.

John Schneider of Kansas City and Joseph Martin of Moline, Ill., held up and robbed Edgar Montague of Janesville of a gold watch and \$5 in money. Within ten hours the men were arrested, tried and sent for two years each to State's prison.

## Missouri Deadlock at an End.

In a scene of riot and but fifteen minutes before the time for final adjournment, the Missouri Legislature elected Major William Warren of Kansas City, United States senator, ending the deadlock which had existed since Jan. 18.

## Tornado Sweeps Porth, Okla.

A tornado struck Porth, a small town near Hobart, Okla., killing one man, W. E. and Charles Jones, fatally injured and sixteen others hurt. Sixteen houses were demolished.

## Gen. Joseph R. Hawley Dies.

Gen. Joseph R. Hawley, for nearly twenty years United States senator from Connecticut, died at his residence in Washington. Death came peacefully after a stupor lasting for two days.

## Five New York Buildings Collapse.

The collapse of five buildings under construction in New York is charged to faulty construction and the sudden change from cold to warm weather.

## Big Paper Company.

The Publishers' Paper Company, incorporated in New York, will own and operate a big plant for the manufacture of the stock used in newspaper offices.

## Two Negroes Are Hanged.

Two negroes were hanged in Richmond, Va., Edwin Austin for the assault on a 10-year-old girl, and Peter Danah for the murder of a negro woman.

## Passes One Hundredth Birthday.

Mannet Garcia, noted London musician and inventor of the laryngoscope, was highly honored at the artist and scientists on his one hundredth birthday.

## Town Is Named Roosevelt.

The Wisconsin Assembly has passed a bill for the creation in Taylor county of a town named Roosevelt.

## United States Senate Adjourns.

The United States Senate adjourned after reaching a decision that the San Domingo treaty could not be ratified.

## Fire Damages a Mill.

A fire in the threatening department of the Spang-Chaffin mill, at Eliza, Pa., destroyed machinery and stock to the value of \$75,000, fully insured. The origin of the fire has not been ascertained.

## Woman Murdered in Hotel.

A young woman was apparently murdered in a hotel in Newark, N. J. The woman is supposed to have been choked to death by a male companion, who left the hotel after locking the door behind him. No one saw him leave.

## Swift Rise in Value.

All street is puzzled by the mysterious rise in Northern Securities' "stake" from a valuation of \$3,054,000 to one of \$30,000,000. No one seems able to account for the skyrocket action of the mysterious "stake," which no one is reported to have seen.

## Confession False Testimony.

President Joseph F. Smith of the Mormon church told his people in the Salt Lake City Tabernacle he still has divine revelations, and that his false testimony before the Senate investigating committee was "a lie" they were trying to lead him into a trap.

## REPRESENTATION AT 28.

Detroit Auto Workers, Alleging No  
Contract Made With Ford.

Pursued six years and married to a woman who had gained control over him in his early life, Herbert M. Johnson, son of a wealthy carriage manufacturer of Detroit, declares, he has begun suit in the Circuit Court to secure annulment of his union with Mrs. Minnie Lackie-Johnson, described as being old enough to be his mother. The woman is alleged to have won him after a pursuit in Detroit and Chicago beginning in 1908. Johnson declares that although 25 years old, he is of immature intellect and unable to resist the force exerted upon him by the defendant, who he says is the divorced wife of William Lackie of Port Huron, Mich. In 1908 Johnson was a school boy in attendance at a private school at Woodstock, Ill. Mrs. Lackie, then a woman of 37 years of age, was a servant in his parents' home in Detroit, and he fell under her spell, he declares, when he went home for vacation that year. Johnson asserts Mrs. Lackie was soon able to influence his actions in any course of conduct she desired to pursue. It is alleged that her parents became accomplices of her and discharged her from their employ. When Mrs. Lackie departed, her husband says, she told the parents she would not give up their son. There followed an alleged period of correspondence between Johnson and Mrs. Lackie, and for two years, by mail and telephone, the woman is said to have kept in touch with the boy. Unable to shake off the woman's fascination for him, Johnson says, he permitted her to go to his home while his parents were absent on vacation in 1900. From the visits came a surprise which led to Johnson's being sent to Chicago by his parents, their hope being he would be an end of trouble with Mrs. Lackie.

## BUY VAST AREA IN TEXAS.

Officials of a Dozen Systems Form  
Company to Establish Model Farms.

One of the greatest land colonization enterprises yet conceived has been undertaken by a number of railroad officials of the Santa Fe, Rock Island, Union Pacific, Burlington, Port Worth and Denver and other western and southwestern railroads. It is the plan to buy a vast area of land in Texas and to develop to the fullest extent the most important industry of that section by the advocacy of the universal adoption of the latest, most improved and highly scientific methods of tilling, seeding and other treating the soil now under cultivation, and which has not to be made tributary to the wants and enrichment of its owners.

## BURGALAR'S BURN WOMAN'S FEET.

Fall to Make Her Tell Money's Location—  
Four Are Under Arrest.

Four men were arrested in Hankins, N. D., charged with burglary at Fairmount, and they have been identified by Postmaster James Engels of Thideas as the men who entered the postoffice at Fairmount, N. D., and burned the feet of a woman, Mrs. Engels, by burning her feet with matches to make her reveal the location of \$300. The police refuse to give the names of the men. The \$300 was the proceeds of a sale of a team of horses. Before the robbers could make Mrs. Engels disclose the hiding place of the money, she was broken away from the robbers and ran for help. The robbers took \$40 from the postoffice and then escaped.

## KEYSTONE MINERS TO FIGHT.

Advised Not to Work After March 31  
Until Operators Sign Agreement.

The sixteenth annual convention of District No. 2, United Mine Workers of America, opened in Altoona, Pa. There were 230 delegates, representing 134 local unions and 35,640 miners in the central Pennsylvania bituminous district. President Gilday in his report said that never before has it been so difficult to force agreement with the operators as during the past year. He advises all miners to refuse to resume operations after March 31 until the scale agreement is signed by the operators.

## Livestock Succeeds Kurapatkin.

With the Japanese hanging on the heels and flanks of the remnants of the broken, defeated Russian army, Gen. Kurapatkin, the old idol of the private soldier, has been dismissed and disgraced, and Gen. Livestock, commander of the first army, is appointed to succeed him in command of all the Russian land and sea forces operating against Japan.

## Reprieve for Mrs. Edwards.

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court having declined to grant the case of Samuel Greason, colored, under sentence of death at Reading for the murder of John Edwards in 1901, back to the Berks County Court, the board of pardons has granted a continuance in his case and also in that of Mrs. Kate Edwards, who is condemned to die for the same crime.

## Palma's Auto Kills Youth.

An automobile in which President Palma was riding in Havana ran over and killed Manuel Palomera, 14 years old. The machine is owned by Louis Marx, an American tobacco planter, who with General Palma, secretary of justice, was with the President at the time of the accident.

## Offers to Endow College.

Sir William C. Macdonald, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer, laid before the Protestant committee of the council of public instruction in Montreal a proposition to endow an agricultural training college and a college for the training of school teachers in the sum of \$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000.

## California Hit by Big Storm.

A violent and extensive storm swept southwest California from San Diego to Tehachapi mountains, interrupting all communication with northern California, demoralizing railroad traffic and flooding the entire country with three to five inches of rainfall.

## Fire Damages Big Vessel.

A threatening fire broke out on the Hansa line steamer Wildenfels of Bremen, in Boston, causing damage to its cargo estimated at \$500,000, and for three hours kept a large division of the fire department throwing water into the ship.

## Steffens Attacks New Jersey.

New Jersey is the object of a savage attack by Lincoln Steffens, who calls it the "crater State of the Union" and declares in a magazine article that it has sold out the nation to vicious corporations while shielding itself.

## Look Out for Venetian Invasion.

Invitation of the United States by a Venetian army of 30,000 is the latest dream of President Castro's fiery adviser, Col. Juan Bautista Lameo, who in a pamphlet just out seriously urges this.

## Girls Bar Cigarette Smokers.

Young men in McKeesport, Pa., who put their hair in the middle and smoke cigarettes either must cease smoking

"bedlin' talk" or give up going with the girl graduates of the high school. At a class meeting it was decided improper to walk down the thoroughfares with young men who smoked cigarettes and who parted their hair in the middle.

## ANOTHER BIG OIL SCHEME.

Gates and Cuddeback Reported Interest  
in 650-Mile Pipe Line.

As a result of the fight against the Standard Oil Company in Kansas elaborate plans for the erection by independent companies of pipe lines and refineries are in progress of formation according to the Kansas City Times. J. B. and A. L. Levy, oil men formerly from the Lima (Ohio) field, are credited with having planned the erection of a refinery at Kansas City for the production of fuel oil, the crude material produced to be piped from Kansas and refined at the refinery. The plan calls for a daily output of 200,000 barrels of crude oil. At Chanute, Kan., a meeting of producers has been held to consider the project for a pipe line to Port Arthur, Texas. At the meeting a Chanute banker asserted that he had sold to an English concern, operating largely at Beaumont, Texas, and in the Russian fields, \$7,500,000 in bonds to push the enterprise. The line would be 650 miles in length and have a capacity of 20,000 barrels of oil a day. The Cuddebacks, the packers, and John W. Gates are said to be interested in the Port Arthur project.

## SLASHED BY MARKED MADMAN.

Michigan Citizen Has a Furious Battle  
with a Lunatic.

John White, an employee at the North American Chemical Company's plant in Bay City, Mich., declared a deep and bloody war with a madman the other night, on recovering consciousness told a sensational story of a half-hour's battle with an unknown marked lunatic, who attacked him with a butcher knife. White states that the marked man entered the room where he was working and told him plainly that he was going to kill him. He then produced a butcher knife and took after him. White jumped over large potash pans, followed by his pursuer. Three times the weapon was brought down on the fugitive, once on the fleshy part of his right leg, another time across the left arm, and a third stroke cut a large hole in his cap. White finally made a dash for the door, closely pursued. The man with the knife followed him 300 yards and then slunk away in the darkness.

## PLUNGES OVER 125-FOOT CLIFF.

Jerseyman Thought to Have Quarreled  
with Woman Before He Fell.

After a quarrel on the top of a cliff 125 feet high on the outskirts of Paterson, N. J., in which the voices of a man and a woman were heard in angry tones, the dead body of John Bennett, an insurance agent, was found at the foot of the cliff. His skull was fractured, his arm broken and his head a deep cut over one eye. Whether he was thrown over the cliff or fell by accident is unknown, but the county and city authorities are searching for an unknown woman whose voice was heard in argument with a man only a little while before the body was found. Bennett was last seen by his wife the previous afternoon, when she reproved him for drinking.

## MURDERED BY POISONED CIGAR.

Girl Suspected of Having Given  
Opium to Michigan Youth.

Opium placed in a cigar given him by a young woman with whom he quarreled is believed by the police of Flint, Mich., to have caused the death of William S. Goodspeed, 19 years old, an employee of the Flint wagon works. Dr. J. C. McGregor testified at the coroner's inquest that the youth's death was due to opium poisoning. Dr. Samuel H. Given, in whose office Goodspeed was taken, testified that a young man had a deep cut over one eye. Whether he was thrown over the cliff or fell by accident is unknown, but the county and city authorities are searching for an unknown woman whose voice was heard in argument with a man only a little while before the body was found. Bennett was last seen by his wife the previous afternoon, when she reproved him for drinking.

## Fire in Shannon City, Iowa.

Fire, believed to have been of incendiary origin, destroyed the entire business section of Shannon City, Iowa, entailing a loss of over \$400,000, partially insured. Two business blocks, Wilson's and Pfaff's, and a number of smaller business houses, including Logan drug store, the Sheldon shoe and newspaper office, barber shop and the telephone exchange, were burned. The fire started in the Wilson block.

## Scout Graft at Panama.

"Graft" has made its appearance in the Panama canal work, says a well-known Washington correspondent, with rolls being padded and supplies manipulated. These conditions may hasten the reorganization of the commission by the President.

## Ardent Youth Is Mobbed.

Wesley Deamer of Hixville is in jail in Toledo, Ohio, threatened by a mob because he tried to kiss another man's wife in church. He was sitting beside Mrs. McCracken in a pew when suddenly he threw his arms about her and kissed her osculatory organs.

## Ex-Minister Faces Prison.

After six years' deliberation the jury which tried J. Frank Corliva, the former South River minister who eloped with Julia Moore, one of his choir singers, for adultery, has come into court in New Brunswick, N. J., with a verdict of "guilty as indicted."

## Fatal Tenement House Fire.

Nineteen persons, men, women and children, had their lives snuffed out in a tenement fire in the New York ghetto. Sixteen others were seriously injured by burns or falls. The scene of the fire was in a double-decked tenement at 105 Allen street.

## Noted Clown Jokes in Death.

Mons. Niblo, the clown, known from one end of the country to the other, died in Denver, aged 77 years, of consumption. He left no money. Dr. Rose Kidd Moore, his physician, said Niblo was the most cheerful patient she ever attended, joking almost to the end.

## Officers of Unions Accused.

Officers of the unions engaged in the strike on the New York subway and elevated lines are accused of having been helped by the companies to precipitate the labor trouble, so that the men might be beaten decisively.

## End to Pillory in Delaware.

By the passage of a bill by the Delaware Legislature the pillory, long an institution in Delaware, has been abolished. An effort was made to abolish the whipping post, but it was unavailing.

## Fire Destroys Highland Inn.

The large Highland Inn, a summer hotel at Lenoir, a suburb of Wilkesbarre, Pa., was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$35,000.

## High Record for Bank Deposits.

Weekly trend reviews report an increase in the volume of production and distribution, with active retail business and a new high record for bank deposits.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN.

Alanson has become an incorporated village.

Three Rivers will shortly have a new flour mill. It will be built of cement blocks.

Alma's woolen industry is a thing of the past, as the mill has been dismantled and sold.

A basswood tree was cut at West Branch last week which scaled 3,000 feet of lumber.

The Tumb now has another city. Crosswell has succeeded in getting itself to be officially called a city.

George Byrnes, a porter, whose home was on Ontonagon, was burned to death in a hotel fire at Ely, Minn.

Vassar Macaulay is figuring on purchasing the building in which the hall they now occupy is situated.

A Sault Ste. Marie policeman has investigated a new business which is a combination of the handfast and honeymoon.

Grand Lodge officials are considering the proposition of installing voting machines at the coming spring election.

Yale is putting on metropolitan airs. The local hardware merchant has put up an electric sign, the first one in the village.

Upper peninsula railroads are ordering many new freight and ore cars in anticipation of the rush in business the coming year.

Flint feels real bad over the fact that the city has no directory to show the names of visitors who will be there this summer at the "home coming."

Pittsford people want a bank established in their precinct. They think they may have just lots of money to stay away in a place like that.

On the Pere Marquette at Mt. Morris a head-on collision occurred, in which both engines were demolished and several carloads of merchandise smashed to pieces.

The little 8-year-old daughter of Frank Mikulski, while playing with other children, ran in front of a passing street car in Manistee, was run over and killed instantly.

An earthquake shock sufficient to shake houses was felt at Montmorency. Several loud rumbling reports were heard and were followed by a violent shaking of the houses.

Chas. Morningstar, a 12-year-old boy, blew out his own brains in Alpena by discharging a shotgun. It was an old muzzle-loader and the boy accidentally kicked it while looking down the barrel.

Ingham county sheriffs hereafter will not have to worry over jail deliveries, as the jail has been coated with a shell of battle-proof iron to keep the bad burglars in.

The Ingham county sheriff made a successful raid on slot machines in Lansing the other night, captured them and reduced them to scrap iron and splinters.

In filing an answer to a divorce bill brought against a Port Huron man, he says that his wife nagged him so that he just couldn't help causing once in a while.

Canned salmon caused the serious illness of an entire family at St. Ignace, and a physician's services were required before the poisoned ones were able to recover.

Pole and gilt nets were gathered in by the State game warden near Lansing, charged with illegal fishing. The pole said they had been fishing all winter and did not know they were doing wrong.

A Flint man recently sacrificed nine good faithful tools that he had carried about with him for many years, as the result of an encounter with old horses. The only one he succeeded in saving is a little one, the smallest of the lot.

The Maple Grove house, a summer resort hotel at Long Lake, eight miles from Alpena, was totally destroyed by fire. The fire started from an over-heated stove. Loss \$100,000, insurance \$4,000. The hotel was owned by John Beck of Alpena.

During the absence of their mother, who had gone to the grocery store, two little boys, five and six years old, stole away, fire destroyed the home of a Finnish teamster at Jenks, Spink, and two children, aged 6 and 4, perished. It is supposed the youngsters played with the fire in the kitchen stove.

The Muskegon Cattle Company has suspended business. Trust competition is said to be the cause of the suspension. The concern manufactured patent alloy wire. It was capitalized at \$100,000, with \$25,000 paid in. Most of the stock was held by local people.

Victor Double, a young married man, was killed by a Grand Trunk train in the city of Detroit at Marceline, a night of many people. He stepped out of the way of a west-bound passenger train on to the other track and was knocked down and run over, both legs being cut off and he died three hours later. He leaves a widow and week-old baby.

As Jennie Nelson, the 14-year-old daughter of August Nelson, stepped from the Chicago and Northwestern tracks in Montmorency to get out of the way of a switch engine, a man drove off as a horse, standing on the rear of the engine, deliberately fired two shots at her from a revolver. The bullets missed, but she heard them whiz by her head. The identity of the man is not known, and no motive can be ascertained.

A cow on the farm of Albert Smith, near Albion, distinguished herself by giving birth to a calf that is somewhat different from the general run of calves, in that it has eight legs with which to prop itself up. The calf, which is named "The Eight," has eight legs, which are joined at the shoulders. Although two tails are attached to the one extreme, the poor youngster had only one head, probably because it was the last thing that would be required of one head for two bodies.

The Michigan crop report says that wheat suffered very little injury during February, 643 correspondents reporting no damage and 419 reporting some damage. The ground was well covered with snow during the entire month, and although the weather was 5.6 degrees colder than the average, the cereal did not suffer. The depth of snow was 7.82 inches on Feb. 28. There was a deficiency of half an inch in the precipitation of the month, compared with the average. Late stock is in good condition, having been reported at 45 per cent, cattle, 43; swine, 94, and sheep, 96.

George B. Newell of Kalamazoo, farm-master of Grand Rapids, has organized a boys' band in the Celery City. Mr. Newell says he will have a band of 121 pieces, including the Capital City saxophone quartet of Lansing. It will be the largest band in the United States and possibly the largest in the world.

A baby girl about two weeks old was left the other night on the front porch of the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Gillett of Albion. The child was pitifully cold and shivered only by a few dirty rags. No clue has been ascertained of the child's parentage and Mr. Gillett is caring for the wailing pending some further arrangements.

## COCCURENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

School Board Loses Suit—Farmers Plead Guilty of Cruelty to Animals—Middle-Aged Man Burns to Death—Maple Rapids Bank Robbed.

Henry B. Lewis, the Detroit contractor who refused to agree to employ only union labor in erecting the steel work for the Goldberg school in Detroit, won out in his fight with the Detroit board of education in the Supreme Court. Lewis was the lowest bidder for the work, and was awarded the contract. Later the board of education adopted a resolution requiring the employment of union labor exclusively on all board contracts. Lewis offered to sign a contract with the union labor clause stricken out, but the board refused. He then brought mandamus proceedings to compel the board to sign a contract according to his bid. The Wayne judge granted the writ, and the decision of the lower court was affirmed in an opinion by Judge Ostrander.

For Cruelty to Animals. Clark and Debor Harbor, two prosperous farmers of Carlton township, Barry county, pleaded guilty to cruelty to their live stock, and were fined \$30 each. It is one of the worst cases which has ever come to the notice of the authorities. Humane Officer Randolph of Grand Rapids, who was summoned to investigate the case, found the stock suffering terribly from lack of care. Eight sheep had died, and the remaining 150 were in a starving condition. In the stock barns he found the carcasses of a cow and a horse that had apparently been dead several days. The sheep had no water all winter, but had to depend on snow. Most of the stock is thoroughlybred, and if care for property would bring a good price on the market.

Man Burned to Death. Charles Fox, who lived with his brother, William Fox, several miles south of Armada, lost his life the other morning in trying to save clothing and bedding from the second story of their dwelling. The building caught fire from sparks around the chimney. When the fire was discovered the brothers rushed upstairs to save what they could and when they got down with one load the fire was raging so badly that William begged his brother not to go back. Charles went, however, and was never seen again. He was 62 years old and unmarried.

Mother Driven Insane. Calling constantly for her baby, which died at birth, Mrs. Mary Magaz of Muskegon, has become violently insane from brooding over her loss. The woman is confined to her bed in a mental hospital, and she threatens to do herself serious injury. She does not seem to realize that her baby is dead and mutters in the Hungarian tongue, threats of death to her attendants. Application has been made by the sheriff for her admittance to the asylum.

Bank Robbed at Maple Rapids. Cracksmen blew open the safe in Hewitt & Groom's bank in Maple Rapids. The safe was badly damaged and considerable damage was done to the interior of the building. One piece of iron was thrown through the door, passing through a large plate glass window on the opposite side. As far as is known only about \$50 in pennies was secured. There is no clue.

"Black Hand" Threatens. Atemus Wells of Montmorency received a letter signed "The Black Hand" demanding that \$1,000 be placed at a designated spot. The letter stated that failure to comply would mean death. Wells notified the police and placed a dummy package at the place designated. Two men disguised as women appeared and secured the package and escaped.

\$2,300 Shortage Cause of Suicide. George A. Hasty, bookkeeper for the Lansing State Savings Bank, who shot himself, was the victim of a shortage of \$2,300 in his accounts. He had admitted his shortage to the bank before committing suicide. The bank is protected by a surety bond.

Minor State Matters. A suburban grocery store belonging to Carothers & Gilley was destroyed by fire in Lansing. Loss, \$2,500; insurance, \$1,500.

Mrs. Mabel Jones of Prescott is the mother of nineteen children. She is 51 years old and has given birth to triplets.

Daniel W. Sumner of Edmore is believed to be a different person from a pair of whom represent four different generations.

Plainsville is looking forward to an era of prosperity, as it is expected that a big paper mill will be built there, and two railroads will be built into the village.

Mrs. Philip Glazier, aged 40, and an employee of the county house, was struck by a west-bound electric freight car near the county farm, one mile west of Galesburg, and was fatally injured.

The wedding of Miss Mable, daughter of former Congressman and Mrs. Rose O. Crump of Bay City, to F. E. H. Jaeger, commercial teacher in the West Side schools, was not an elopement, but when the affair leaked out it caused considerable surprise. The other day the couple went out for a walk and were joined by a gentleman and lady friend to the residence of Rev. J. E. Honning, where the ceremony was performed. Mr. and Mrs. Jaeger then walked solemnly back to the bride's home, where they confessed to what had taken place and received the blessing of the surprised mother.

George Davis, a farmer living near Lansing, found a white cow in a hay stack while looking the other day. The little "calf" was as chipper as a pig in clover and had evidently burrowed its way into the stack for a winter home.

With the marriage of Forrest A. Butler to Cordelia Melhorn of New Baltimore two colored brothers have married white sisters. The other couple, Tom Butler and Mary Melhorn, were married a couple of years ago and are also residents of Albion. The brothers are very light and would easily pass for white persons.

Enoch White and wife of Leoniada township, charged with being incapable of bringing up their two children, were brought before Judge of Probate Thomas and found guilty. The children will be taken to the State public school at Coldwater and the parents, declaring vengeance on all who testified, returned home.

Marshall Vetsch of Houghton, acting under special instructions from the board of health, is killing all dogs acting suspiciously. Seven were shot on one day. Dumb rabbits is said by the board of health to be prevalent at Houghton, Calumet and several other points in the copper district.

## UNITED STATES SENATE SPECIAL SESSION.

Developments Tuesday make it plain that there is little chance that the San Domingo treaty will be ratified. Party lines were drawn sharply in the discussion of the treaty by the Senate in executive session, and the support of several Democratic members, on which the friends of ratification were depending, apparently is not to be had. The Democrats will return to the fold, and on both sides it is admitted there is little prospect the convention will be ratified. The Republicans have come out with certain names for the Senate to ratify, and Foster of Louisiana and Clark of Arkansas. Senator Gorman, the minority leader, gave notice that these Senators are now pledged against the treaty. It is not expected that Mr. McHenry or Mr. Clark will return to Washington to vote. The discussion took a decided partisan basis. Senators Teller, Morgan and other Democrats criticized the administration severely. Senator Teller asserted that the administration could not be blamed in permitting Commander Dillingham to exercise so much authority. Senator Spooner defended the action of the Department of State. Senator Foraker and Cullom followed along the same lines. Senator Bacon started to address the Senate











## Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAR. 23.

### Take Notice.

The data following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year in advance. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

Subscribers to the late Grayling Times who desire to have the AVA-LANCHE continued to their address after the time for which they have paid has expired must notify us or their names will be stricken from the list.

### Local and Neighborhood News.

Patronize the McKay House—the best dollar a day house in Grayling.

Mrs. S. Phelps has gone to Holly and vicinity, for a visit with her parents and sister.

Geo. L. Alexander and M. Hanson were the delegates from this county to the judicial convention at Standish last week.

Fred Alexander is home from the University for a rest. He has been too strenuous in his study, for his health, but got there in his work.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Winslow, of Frederic, were called to mourn the loss of their baby girl, last week, which was buried in our village cemetery.

Born—Thursday, March 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter E. Johnson, a daughter. This is No. 12. They are young yet. Carry the news to "Teddy."

There was another special meeting of Crawford tent, K. O. T. M. M., at their hall last Thursday evening, and four more candidates were initiated.

Mrs. Osborne and Miss Dorland are home from their tour of inspection and discovery, and are busy as bees arranging for their Easter display of Millinery.

There will be a special meeting of the Ladies Union of the Presbyterian church, at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Niles, to-morrow, Friday, afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock.

The M. C. R. R. will give rates for the May Musical Festival, Saginaw, Mich., May 22-23, 1905, one fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip. Date of sale, May 23 and 25; return, May 24.

L. HERRICK, Agent.

N. Michelson is putting the steel ceiling on the store room which he kindly allowed us to occupy after the Avalanche fire until we moved into our new home. He will hardly know the place after his improvements are completed.

The Michigan Central Railroad Co. have made a reduced rate to Detroit for May 22 and 23, return May 25, on account of the meeting of the Grand lodge of F. and A. M. For particulars enquire of

L. HERRICK, Agent.

A quiet home wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Holbrook last Sunday, the event being the marriage of their daughter, May, and Mr. C. F. Stewart of Vassar, Perry Ostrander, Esq., an uncle of the bride, officiating. After a brief visit in Indiana and Ohio they will be "at home" in Vassar.

The coming of the new hardwood flooring plant is undoubtedly assured. It is an immense concern with a capacity of twelve million feet of finished product a year, and a home pay roll of from sixty to seventy thousand dollars a year. We hope in our next issue to give a description more in detail. It will be a welcome addition to the industrial interests of our prospering village.

The new gasoline lighting plant installed in the hardware store of A. Kraus is an immense success, making it one of the best lighted salerooms in the village. It is the Forde Lighting system, where the gasoline is outside of the building, and is considered absolutely safe. The light is white and brilliant, but not gassy, and gives everything its natural color as in bright sunlight. Call and see it.

The M. C. R. R. Co. have under consideration the erection of a new round house at this place, with a capacity of twenty-four stalls, and will add the necessary room for tools and repairing. The plans for the plant are completed and we confidently expect it will be erected here, on the grounds this side of the north semaphore. It will mean quite a number of new families for permanent homes.

At Chicago last week an accident took us to the Grace hotel, which we now deem most welcome. It is well situated, adjacent to the business heart of the city, and is certainly one of the most pleasant hotels at which we were ever entertained. Courtesy without seeming, perfect in cleanliness and every appointment well-nigh perfect. European plan and reasonable rates. We most heartily advise our citizens to stop at the Grace when visiting that city, and assure them in advance of satisfaction.

Last week Tuesday while Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wilkinson of Maple Forest were away from home, leaving two children, about 12 to 14 years of age in charge, their house was entirely consumed by fire with all its contents. It is a sad loss to them as they were in but moderate circumstances. Ex-Superior John House was in town Thursday and received the usual liberal subscription of our citizens to help them in replacing their building, which will be fully appreciated.

## Proceedings of the Common Council.

[OFFICIAL.]

GRAYLING, MICH., March 16, 1905.

Meeting held March 16, 1905.

A special meeting of the common council convened at the court house.

President pro tem J. F. Hum in the chair.

Present—Trustees Olson, Connine, Hanson and Sickler.

Absent—Trustee Everett.

Meeting called to certify to election of village officers for the ensuing year.

Moved by Connine and supported by Sickler that the following persons be declared duly elected village officers for the ensuing terms:

Henry A. Bauman—President.  
H. P. Olson—Clerk.  
Marion Hanson—Treasurer.  
James J. Collen—Assessor.  
C. O. McCullough—Trustee for two years.

William F. Brink—Trustee for two years.

Axel Michelson—Trustee for two years.

Motion prevailed.

Moved by Hanson supported by Connine that the following bills be allowed as charged.

Motion prevailed.

Motion prevailed.

H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

GRAYLING, MICH., March 20, 1905.

Meeting held on the 20th day of March, 1905.

Special meeting of the common council convened at the court house.

President H. A. Bauman in the chair.

Present—Trustees Connine, Olson, Hanson and Sickler.

Absent—Trustees Hum and Everett.

Moved by Sickler and supported by Olson that the bill of O. Palmer for \$15.15 be allowed as charged.

Motion prevailed.

Moved by Sickler and supported by Olson that the report of the finance committee be accepted and the same spread on the records.

Motion prevailed.

Finance committee's report—

Contingent fund:

Total amount received \$2,462.44

" " disbursed 2,180.07

Balance on hand \$282.37

Highway fund:

Total amount received \$2,249.51

" " disbursed 2,100.29

Balance on hand \$149.22

Total amount on hand, \$431.59.

Signed, R. D. CONNINE, CHAS. HANSON, Committee.

Moved by Olson and supported by Hanson that the bill of S. N. Inley, health officer, for \$100.00 be referred back for correction, to specify the time.

Motion prevailed.

Moved by Connine and supported by Hanson that the bill of L. Fournier for \$2.92 be allowed as charged.

Motion prevailed.

Moved and supported that the council adjourn.

Motion prevailed.

H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

S. S. Claggett of Johannesburg was a welcome visitor in town yesterday. He says the new girl is a dandy.

For Sale—A large house nicely located and well arranged for a boarding house. Enquire at this office.

The people of the 26th Judicial circuit, like our own, know when they have a good thing, and Hon. Frank Emerick will succeed himself on the circuit bench without opposition.

Our citizens will regret to learn that E. W. Jensen and family are leaving us to move on to their farm near Otter Lake, in Lapeer county, having already sold their home on Ionia street.

A letter has been received announcing the death of Mrs. Jacob Stecker, a pioneer and well known resident of South Branch, on the 8th inst. She has been living with her daughter, Mrs. Anna Gerrish, at Jacksonville, Fla., for the past three years.

The body of a man supposed to be Michael Shook of Otsego Lake, was found on the railroad Tuesday, about five miles north of Frederic. It was terribly mangled, having been dragged a hundred and fifty yards from where struck. One leg was cut off, his head severed so that the face was gone, and he was dismembered. Coroner O'Neil was called and removed the body to Frederic, where a jury will give the matter full investigation.

"Maze the Romp," given by the Grayling Dramatic company at the opera house on Friday evening last, was one of the best entertainments the company has ever put on. As usual the opera house was full, despite the stormy weather, and everybody thoroughly enjoyed an excellent presentation of a bright and attractive play. The company go to Lewiston with the play for two nights, Friday and Saturday, March 30 and 31, and we can assure the people over there they have two pleasant evenings in store.

## Judicial Conventions.

The Republican judicial convention held at Standish the 15th was simply a ratification meeting, at which, after the perfunctory preliminary organization and appointment of committees, the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the people of the Thirty-fourth Judicial circuit recognize in the Hon. Nelson Sharpe an able judge; that the manner in which he has performed the delicate and responsible duties of the high office of circuit judge merits great praise; that his dignified and courteous execution of his duties has endeared him to the bar and people of his judicial district, and we sincerely hope he may be long spared to preside over the courts of the district.

[Signed] GEO. L. ALEXANDER, THOS. HARTNELL, JAMES ADAMS.

Committee.

Following which the tellers were instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the convention for Judge Sharpe, and the following judicial committee was elected:

Arenae—G. V. Hayes.

Crawford—Geo. L. Alexander.

Gladwin—F. S. Prindle.

Otsego—W. L. Townsend.

Ogemaw—E. M. Harris.

Roscommon—H. H. Woodruff.

The committee organized by the election of E. M. Harris as chairman and Geo. L. Alexander as secretary.

## The Grange.

At the meeting of Crawford county grange, No. 934, held last Saturday, the following resolutions were unanimously passed:

Whereas, We, the members of Crawford County Grange, No. 934, believing that the Agricultural College of our state should be placed upon an equal footing and keep progress with similar institutions in other states, and that it should be provided with every facility necessary to enable it to meet the growing demands upon it; and

Whereas, From the report of President J. L. Snyder, dated February 5, 1905, it is evident that it is sadly lacking in proper facilities to care for the large increase in the number of students that are applying to it for agricultural education; and

Whereas, For ourselves, and believing the farmers and citizens generally of every section of our state, are willing to be taxed for such a purpose and desire to see it provided in every way with facilities for extending its usefulness, and believing that its special benefits to farmers in its reports of experimental work and its bulletins repay their cost a hundred fold; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we urge upon our state senator, Hon. A. J. Doherty, and our representative, Hon. Thos. E. Double, that they make every effort in their power to secure for the State Agricultural College an appropriation adequate to its needs as set forth in the report of President J. L. Snyder.

A little lift of \$5 was made to help out Bro. Edgar Wilkinson, who is a member of Maple Forest grange, and whose house was burned a short time ago.

The lecture hour was an interesting one, the discussions reaching from clover inoculation to the initiative and referendum.

The rainy weather prevented a very large attendance, but it was better than was expected.

## Beaver Creek.

George Belmore made a flying trip to Bay City last Friday.

C. Stuart started for Eastern Washington Monday.

Every voter should attend his party caucus next Saturday and see that the best men are nominated. Then go and vote.

We understand that N. Michelson has bought eighty acres south of Hans Christenson's farm, and that he intends to put in a half-way house to feed his teams and cattle coming and going to and from the farm at Houghton lake.

Hon. Thomas E. Double was called home from Lansing last week by the death of his father, who was buried Sunday. He returned to the capital Tuesday.

Died—Saturday, March 18, at his home in Beaver Creek, John P. Hildreth, aged 82 years.

Deceased was one of the pioneers of this county and has been in years past an active factor for the advancement of this section of the state, until his age precluded his doing more than to care for his home. He will be long remembered by our early settlers, his peculiarities forgotten and the good he has done given honor. He leaves an aged wife, who is absolutely helpless, and a sister, Mrs. J. M. Silby, also a helpless invalid, to mourn his first going home. They will soon be reunited, with the loved ones who have gone before. The funeral was on Tuesday and his body was laid to rest in the Cheney cemetery.

## Detroit Live Stock Market.

Prime steers and heifers, \$4.25a 4.75.

Handy butchers cattle, \$3.75a 4.20.

Common, \$2.50a 3.50.

Canners' cows, \$1a 2.

Stockers and feeders, \$2.50a 4.00.

Milch cows, \$2a 40.

Calves, \$5a 7.50.

Prime lambs, \$7.40a 7.30.

Mixed lambs, \$4.75a 5.75.

Culls, \$2a 3.

Prime medium hogs, \$4.75a 4.85.

Yorkers, \$4.65a 4.75.

Pigs, \$4.60a 4.70.

Roughs, 3.50a 4.50.

## A MATTER OF HEALTH



## The Grayling Market Garden.

John H. Cook, Prop'r.

Will be ready for business this spring. Your orders respectfully solicited.

## Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN. The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate office, in the village of Grayling, in said county, on the 21st day of March A. D. 1905.

Present: Hon. Wellington Batterson Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Harvey Anderson, a minor.

Rasmus Hanson, guardian of said minor, having filed in said court his final account as guardian of said minor, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof.

It is ordered, that Saturday the 8th day of April A. D. 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three consecutive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WELLINGTON BATTFERSON, Judge of Probate.

## Election Notice.

MICHIGAN Department of State, Lansing.

To the Sheriff, Sir—

You are hereby notified that at the election to be held in this state, on Monday, the third day of April, nineteen hundred five, the following proposed amendments to the constitution of the state of Michigan, are to be voted for in your county.

A proposed amendment to the constitution of this state relative to the compensation of the circuit judge in the County of Genesee.

A proposed amendment to the constitution of this state relative to providing for a board of county auditors for the County of Genesee.

A proposed amendment to the constitution of this state relative to providing for the improvement of the public wagon roads.

In witness whereof, I have hereto affixed my signature and the great seal of the state, at Lansing, this fifteenth day of March, nineteen hundred five.

ALBERT DUNHAM, Deputy Secretary of State.

## Agonizing Burns

Are instantly relieved and perfectly healed by Bucklen's Arnica Salve. C. Rivenbark, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., says: "I burnt my knee dreadfully; it blistered all over. Bucklen's Arnica Salve stopped the pain and healed it without a scar." Also heals all sores and wounds. 25c at L. Fournier, druggist.

## Poisons in Food.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. Kink's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food, or money back. 25c at L. Fournier's drug store. Try them.

The Michigan Bulletin, the official paper of the Michigan Press association, published at Howard City by B. J. Lowry, is always nearly typographical perfection, but the February number excelled itself. It was a souvenir number, with the proceedings of the annual meeting of the association in Detroit, and besides was full of good things, not the least of which was a description of the proposed trip to Halifax in June. We always watch for the Bulletin and are now anxiously waiting for the March edition.

## Officer is Good Spender.

In a recent case in a Paris court it was stated that the defendant, a young officer of cavalry, had spent \$400,000 in five months.

How Pens Are Polished. Pens are polished with emery powder in a large revolving drum.

In romance "Thy sweetest am I" means some handsome hero gazing his lady love. In real life it means some scrubby little woman watching her husband.

## Sealed Proposals.

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Superintendent of the Poor for boarding the county charges and taking care of the Poor House, up to April 12th 1905, inclusive. Specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent, R. P. Forbes. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

JAMES K. BATES, Secretary.

## Sealed Proposals.

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Superintendent of the Poor from the physicians of Crawford county, up to April 12th 1905 inclusive, for the treatment of the county Poor, including medicine, for the ensuing year. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

JAMES K. BATES, Secretary.

## Registration Notice.

To the Electors of the Township of Grayling:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Registration of the township of Grayling will be held at the town hall in said township on Saturday, April 1, 1905, for the purpose of registering the names of all persons who shall be possessed of the necessary qualifications of electors, and who may apply for that purpose; and that said board of registration will be in session from nine o'clock in the forenoon to five o'clock in the afternoon for that purpose.

PETER E. JOHNSON, Township Clerk.

Dated March 8, 1905.

## Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight to tell that when your stomach and liver are badly affected grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease. As Mrs. John A. Young of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened, and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters I found just what I wanted, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Beat medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by L. Fournier, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

## Township Election.

At the annual township meeting for the township of Grayling, to be held at the town hall in said township, Monday, April 3, 1905, the following officers are to be elected, to-wit:

One supervisor, one township clerk, one treasurer, one school inspector for two years, and one school inspector for one year, one commissioner of highways, one justice of the peace, full term; one justice of the peace, vacancy, two years; one justice of the peace, vacancy, one year; one member board of review, and four constables.

PETER E. JOHNSON, Township Clerk.

## Teachers' Examinations.

There will be a teachers' examination at the high school building, Thursday and Friday, March 10 and 21, beginning at 8.30. The examination questions in reading will be based on "Silas Marner," copies of which may be obtained from D. A. Wright, Lansing, for 25 cents each.

J. E. BRADLEY, County Commissioner.

## Fraud Exposed.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you of such people, who seek to profit through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing disease for over 35 years. A sure protection to you is our name on the wrapper. Look for it on all Dr. King's or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada. L. Fournier.

## Election Notice.

Department of State, Lansing, Mich.

Mr. Abner J. Stillwell, Sheriff of Crawford County, Grayling, Mich.

Sir—You are hereby notified that at the General Election to be held in this state, on Monday the 3d day of April next, the following state officers are to be voted for in your county:

One Justice of the Supreme Court, two Regents of the University of Michigan, one member of the State Board of Education (to fill vacancy) and one Circuit Judge for the Thirty-fourth Judicial Circuit, comprising the counties of Crawford, Arenae, Gladwin, Ogemaw, Otsego and Roscommon.

In witness whereof, I have hereto affixed my signature and the Great Seal of the State, at Lansing, this first day of February, nineteen hundred five.

ALBERT DUNHAM, Deputy Sec'y of State.

## Election Notice.

Department of State, Lansing, Mich.

Mr. Abner J. Stillwell, Sheriff of Crawford County, Grayling, Mich.

Sir—You are hereby notified that a special election will be held in this state on Monday, April 3, 1905, for the purpose of electing a Member of the State Board of Education for the term ending December 31, 1908, and to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Patrick H. Kelley.

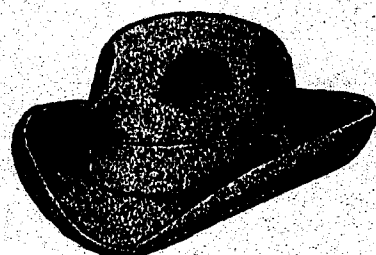
In witness whereof, I have hereto affixed my signature and the Great Seal of the State, at Lansing, this seventeenth day of February, nineteen hundred five.

ALBERT DUNHAM, Deputy Secretary of State.



We have Received our new line of Spring Hats and Caps.

## New Spring Hats!



We have every shape and color, including black, brown, tan and the new Falcon Shade. Call and inspect our line.

Grayling Mercantile Co., The People's Store.



# PAPERS BY THE PEOPLE

## WHAT DO WOMEN WANT?

President Roosevelt has been unbending his soul on the subject of the proper place and function of women in the world, and Lucas Malet has been dealing cautiously with the President's remarks in the columns of a contemporary. Lucas Malet is one of the sanest and most well-balanced of the famous women of the day. It is not surprising, therefore, to find that she does not shrink against the declaration that "the prime duty of the woman is to be the mother, the housewife."

"The prime duty of woman is to be the housewife," says Malet. "But it ought to be the prime duty of man to be good tempered in the house, to be ready to understand the worries and difficulties of housekeeping, to be lenient in expectation. Lots of men—thousands and thousands—who possess what they are pleased to call 'brains' and 'cocks' ask such questions of their wives as the following: 'Why has the cook put so much pepper in the soup this evening?' 'Why are the potatoes burnt to-night?' 'Why has the cook forgotten to send up bread crumbs with this pheasant?' 'Why is this chicken so tough?' etc. And these husbands do not wish them to be cooks, and whose husbands do not wish them to be cooks."

"Why—why—why?" How many wives are weary of that word, and are inclined at last to give it a wide application and say: "Why were we born to be housewives?" And yet, as I have said, many women seem to think that an unselfish man is a weak, unworthy creature, and send him to the wall. Sometimes I wonder exactly what women really do want in a man, what they desire him to be, what is their ideal man.

## ALWAYS ASK FOR WHAT YOU WANT.

"If a thing is worth having it is worth asking for," is a maxim that applies with special force to business procedure. There is a certain value in merely impressing your personality upon the man from whom you want something. Consider the value of publicity and the value of direct advertising. Think of the millions spent by rich firms to keep their names before the public—in newspapers, magazines, on the fences, barns, even the billboards. Certainly, then, there is great value in a personal interview with a man you know you could do business with if you could persuade him of the superior value of the idea you represent. Many a man has won the wife of his choice simply by refusing to take "no" for an answer. Constantly dropping wears away a stone, and the power of suggestion represented by personal interviews or by letters of great practical value. A few years ago a young woman applied for a position as clerk in a grocery store in one of the suburbs of Chicago. That young woman presented herself again, and again during three months, each time making some reference to her wish to hold a clerkship in that store, always

appearing cheerful, smiling, confident. At last the proprietor told her that if she would only use the same tactics with his customers that she had with him she would be invaluable to him. To-day that man thinks he could not hold half his trade without that young woman. Persistent personal interviewing won out in that case.

There is a time for retreat in business as well as in war, and a man must be sensitive enough to know what impression he is making, step by step, or he may unwittingly be driving away from him the man whom he wishes to reach. Above all things avoid giving a man the impression that you are forcing matters to an issue. There are a thousand men that you can win to one that you can take by assault. Persistent interviewing, well planned and skillfully carried out, works wonders, only be sure your persistence does not itself become an offense.

## DECADENCE OF THE SENSE OF HONOR.

Levity is the pose of the would-be wit of today, and the tone of the subject of honor tends to sink low enough to be tainted by levity. In modern fiction heroes and heroines are often made to be as a matter of course, and the reader is not expected to think any the worse of them. In the days of Dickens the badge of honor was the unsullied word of hero and heroine. Even in conversation a man may hear nowadays taking credit to themselves for having lied successfully on occasion, a thing that would not have been tolerated in general society barely a century ago. Doubtless in those days there were men enough who dishonored their word, but when they did so they held it a disgrace, not an evidence of smartness, and kept the matter to themselves. There was still in them at that time the saving grace of shame.

## DEVELOPMENT OF AMERICAN CHARACTER.

We look upon our growing national power with more-unless pride and satisfaction. We view our increasing national strength with the utmost gratification, but we find our greatest pleasure in the development of our national character. There never was an hour in all of our splendid history when our people were more ambitious to advance in all of the qualities which mark the highest and best citizenship than they are now. They never gave more thought and effort than they are giving today to their moral, intellectual and physical improvement.

## MAKING MAPLESUGAR

### INDUSTRY WHICH FLOURISHES IN THE EARLY SPRING.

Much of the Genuine Product Is Made in the Green Mountain State—Teams Sometimes Employed in Gathering the Sap—Picturesque Sugar Camp.

The little brown leaves of maple sugar which find their way into market are made up in largest quantity in the woods of Vermont. The making of the sugar is not confined to that region alone, for wherever maple trees are found in sufficient numbers to make the tapping of them profitable, the sap is drawn therefrom and boiled into sugar. Then, there is the "maple" sugar manufactured from cornucopia and



THE SUGAR CABIN.

ordinary brown sugar, but that is another story.

However, much of the genuine maple sugar used in this country is made in the Green Mountain State.

The industry is no longer as picturesque as it once was, because many of the least practical features have been eliminated, and there is not so much of sport connected therewith as formerly, but from a description given



GATHERING THE MAPLE SIRUP IN THE FOREST.

by a writer in the Cosmopolitan, one may safely say that if there is a reasonable amount of help to do the work, life in a maple sugar camp is something of a picnic.

In Northern Vermont the season begins about March 1 and lasts from four to six weeks. The most favorable weather for the flow of sap is a succession of cold, frosty nights followed by warm, sunny days. After several days of good running weather, during which the sap has flowed freely, the yield grows less and less until a storm, either of snow or rain, seems to give the trees renewed life. With the swelling of the first buds the flow ceases entirely. A good tree, under favorable circumstances, will yield from four to five gallons of sap in twenty-four hours, delivered drop by drop into the buckets hung against the rough bark.

The "sugar place" selected, the work begins early in March. The sugar house having been located upon a little rise of land, so that the water from the melting snow will drain away. If the snow is not deep, a well-trained horse, or a yoke of oxen, has been brought into the woods, with a stock of hay and grain to feed it, and is comfortably quartered in a shed, built against the side of the sugar house. If its help can be employed, the work is made much easier, for, hitched to a stout sled, it draws the buckets about the forests to be scattered to the trees, and, later, draws back to the camp the sap as it is gathered. Very often,



A TWICE-TAPPED TREE.

however, the snow for the first week or two is too deep for a horse or an ox to get about, and all the work must be done by men on snow shoes. Mounted upon his stout, coarse snow shoes, which are strongly strapped to his thick boots, the sugar maker poises upon one shoulder a stack of buckets as heavy as he can carry and starts off with them, leaving one or two at the foot of every maple tree. As soon as the sap begins to flow it must be gathered and brought to the sugar house to boil. In this work "sap buckets," as shown in the illustration, are employed.

Gathering the Sap. As a general thing, however, the snow has melted sufficiently by the time the gathering begins to allow the use of horses or oxen. The latter are still frequently employed and they add something to the picturesqueness of the work. Roads are broken out in every direction through the woods, and along these the horses or oxen draw a stout sled made with wooden shoes so as to go with almost equal ease over bare ground or snow. Upon this sled is fastened a big tub called the "draw-tub." Into this the sap is gathered, being poured from the buckets at the trees and brought to the sled in pails. The draw-tub is made largest at the

bottom, so as to sit firmly upon the sled, and chained down. When the gathering team reaches the sugar house the contents of the draw-tub are pumped or dipped out and carefully strained into huge tubs called holders. Thence the sap is put into the boiling pans and after several hours boiling the contents become a syrup—a thick brown liquid half way between sap and molasses. The syrup is then taken out, carefully strained and put away in clean wooden tubs to cool and settle. If the product is to be marketed as maple syrup, it is simply bottled until of the required thickness, and then put into the gallon tin cans in which it is to be shipped. If sugar is to be made, the boiling is continued for a length of time which varies according to the form into which it is to be finished.

There are various ways of telling when the sugar is boiled enough. An experienced maker can tell by the thickness as it drips from the edge of a wooden paddle which he has dipped into it. When it has reached a certain consistency a snowball held firmly and dipped into it comes out capped with a thin brown coating, delicious to be eaten. This is called "waxing it," and is the favorite form for eating. When the cry goes up from some watcher who has been experimenting, "It's ready to wax," the visitors leave their various occupations of whittling, story telling, etc., and crowd into the sugar house, bringing with them buckets which they have filled with clean snow from some belated drift. The hot brown syrup soon cools upon the snow where it is poured, and it is then eaten with a small wooden paddle. He who has once eaten it under such conditions and surroundings will ever taste anything quite so delicious elsewhere.

Going from the fire-lighted interior of the sugar house to the outside is like going into another world, a fresh, pure world, of which most of us know

nothing. The air is crisp, and clear, and cold. All about stand huge trees of the original forest, no one knows how many years old, their gray-white trunks rising in the dim like pillars in some vast cathedral. Far above, the stars shine through the interlacing branches. Or perhaps the moon is clear out, flooding all the place with a clear light which dissipates the lurking illusions of the twilight, and replaces them with a bewildering tangle of light and shadow which is no less beautiful. Unless there is a murmuring brook near by, the silence is intense, until far back on the mountain side, an owl sounds forth his deep, reverberating call.

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# WASHINGTON Gossip

Finding it impossible to secure the early ratification of the Santo Domingo treaty, President Roosevelt consented to let the matter drop for the time being. The treaty will be up for consideration at the special session of Congress next fall, when another effort will be made to secure its ratification. Meantime, as a result of the inability or unwillingness of the Senators to adopt any rational and intelligent policy, the whole case of the nation's relations with Santo Domingo remains in a hopeless tangle. In accordance with the award made by a court of arbitration last year the United States will continue to collect the revenues of the Dominican government in liquidation of the claims of an American company, but its status there will be vague and uncertain and it will be powerless to do anything to ward satisfying the claims of Santo Domingo's European creditors. In declining to permit the President to form treaty relations with the Dominican government and take full charge of its custom houses without first securing the assent of the Senate, the opinion seems to prevail that the members of that body acted wisely within their prerogatives. However, they have failed to substitute any rational plans or outline any intelligent course of action in the premises. The Senators simply have tied the President's hands and left him to muddle through the situation as best he can.

The Census Bureau has issued a report on the condition of irrigation in the United States, showing 33,415 systems, with 53,311 miles of main canals and ditches, were irrigating 9,457,077 acres on 134,026 farms. The amount expended in constructing all these systems was \$33,294,452. The average construction cost per acre in the arid region was \$2.14 and average per irrigation system \$2.70. The great obstacle to development of irrigation in Texas and New Mexico is the present treaty between Mexico and this country, which prohibits impounding of waters of the Rio Grande.

Secretary Hay, with the President's approval, has practically decided that the \$22,000,000 which China paid to this country for the expense it was put to in quelling the suppression of the Boxer uprising will be returned to China after the war. Mr. Hay fears that if returned before the end of the war it might produce jealousy among the neutral powers, which might affect his plan for the preservation of China. He believes this country is not honestly entitled to the money, because it was spent in protecting American citizens and rights from an uprising for which China was not responsible.

The use of the telephone in this country is increasing at a marvelous rate. In 1900 there were less than 1,000,000 telephone subscribers in the United States; now there are 2,000,000 or more. To provide for this growth requires the expenditure of many millions of dollars each year. In the past twelve months the big companies have spent over \$15,000,000 in extending their service, a large share of this enormous total going to carry the telephone lines to small towns and through rural districts.

One Sunday recently President Roosevelt stood in the pulpit of a Washington church and made an inspiring address. On the following Sunday ex-President Cleveland was the chief speaker at a great meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association in Philadelphia. "Good preachers, good preaching," is the comment of a religious paper, and it is gratifying to reflect that these, our most honored citizens, can with propriety, because with sincerity, direct our thoughts to the higher life.

Secretary Wilson sets forth in his annual report that the total value of American farm products for 1904, excluding \$4,000,000,000, calls attention to the fact that the value of our farm produce during the past two years exceeded in value the output of all the gold mines of the entire world, since the discovery of America. The farmer is unquestionably the lord of creation. He is the man to whom Wall Street and La Salle street have to doff their hats.

In reviewing the measures, seemingly desirable, which Congress failed to pass, it is always a comfort to remember that the enactment of an unwise law is a mistake that it takes a long while to correct; from the nature of our government machinery, some measures—practically speaking—cannot be repealed. It is hard, for example, to take away a privilege once granted, to abolish a position once created, and to close a public institution once started.

Mr. Leupp, the new Indian Commissioner, asked Congress for money with which to build and equip a hospital at Carlisle. He proposes to educate the Indian girls to be trained nurses, for which work, he says, they are admirably fitted. If his plan succeeds, the novelist will have to change his Indian legend, and depict the future Pocahontas hurling herself between the unconscious hero and a surgeon's knife.

There was a sharp contest in the House over the item of the naval appropriation bill which authorizes the building of two battleships. An amendment to authorize only one failed by a vote of 121 to 144. The Senate passed the bill in the form in which it came from the House.

Dr. Wiley's "poison squad" is to be placed on a diet of rich and insidious food. The members of the squad will be rewarded for restricting themselves so long to boric acid and other aseptic foods.

## DEATH OF MRS. STANFORD.

Poisoning of the Noted Woman Philanthropist Was a Foul Deed.

That Mrs. Leland Stanford, the rich and philanthropic widow of the multimillionaire Governor and Senator of California, died as the result of a deliberate plan to cause her end there seems to be no doubt. Who plotted it and by whose hand the agent of death was placed where it would do its work constitute the mystery which never has unfolded. Two attempts were made on her life and the second was effective, though she asserted that she went out into the islands of the Pacific to escape her fate. If it is murder, then, indeed, was the perpetrator of the crime ask: "Will all great Neptune's o'cean wash this blood clean from my hands?" In considering the case on the theory of murder one is unable to find a motive for so foul a crime as the killing of a noble old lady of 80 years, whose course was in all human probability, nearly finished and whose fortune had already been given away.

Mrs. Stanford was born in Albany, N. Y., in 1825, and married Leland Stanford when she was 25. She accompanied him to California and was with him in his rise from small storekeeper to railway builder, Governor and United States Senator. While at Washington her lowly rivalries those of the royal families of the old world. Four sets of diamonds cost her husband \$500,000. One set entitled violet rays by day and another pink rays. The third set was of yellowish hue and the fourth consisted of opalescent white stones. She had a necklace



STANFORD HOME, SAN FRANCISCO.

worth \$100,000 and a pendant worth \$30,000. She had sixty diamond rings. Her entertainments were on a lavish scale.

The Stanfords had one son, born to them late in wedded life, and he died in 1884 at the age of 17. It was in this honor that the famous free university which bears his name was built. It was opened in 1891.

The amounts which the Stanfords

## WAITING FOR HER CUE.



—Cincinnati Post.

gave to the university bearing their name are not accurately known. When Mr. Stanford died in 1893 it had 700 students. Little was left of his in his will, the vast fortunes going practically in its entirety to Mrs. Stanford, making her one of the world's richest women. Then came the litigation, with its termination in her favor. Her gifts since that time have amounted to nearly \$40,000,000. What there is left will undoubtedly go to the university, but is small in amount. Three years ago she sold her jewels, and with the proceeds built a church for the university, which is the finest in California. She also founded a hospital in Paris. A few years ago she had her life insured for \$1,000,000 for the benefit of the university. Her relatives will inherit some of her wealth. They are her brother, Charles Lathrop, of California, and Mrs. Daniel S. Lathrop, a sister-in-law, who lives in Saratoga.

There was a strong trace of mysticism in Mrs. Stanford. A Methodist in the beginning, she drifted later toward the High Church wing of Episcopalianism. At one time it was believed that she was about to enter the Roman Catholic Church, to which her brother was a convert. At the same time she had a leaning toward spiritualism. Her absolute devotion to the memory of her husband and son was her most prominent trait in her later years. It was this devotion which held her to the fight for the university in the hard times. Every object which her husband and son had used or touched was sacred to her.

Description of a Skate. The barometer skates beggars description. I never could tell whether he was looking at me with his eyes or his breathe-holes, says a writer in Country Life in America. He is a bottom fish and flat like a flounder. He has a triangular body, the apex of which forms the snout; opposite his snout are his tail and a few extra pieces of his overcoat, which kind nature has tagged on him in case he gets torn and has to be mended. His tail is embellished with a few spines—this I know for a fact.

He has a couple of eyes, a little way back of his snout, and right back of these are a couple of holes that extend completely through him. These holes connect with his lungs, or whatever he uses to breathe with, and have an uncomfortable way of looking at you at the same time as his eyes.

It will indeed. Willie—Pa, how many quarts does it take to make a peck? Pa—It all depends, my son. Less than one quart, for instance, will sometimes make a "peck of trouble." Philadelphia Public Ledger.

The compliments women fish for are not worth catching.

Gathering the Sap. As a general thing, however, the snow has melted sufficiently by the time the gathering begins to allow the use of horses or oxen. The latter are still frequently employed and they add something to the picturesqueness of the work. Roads are broken out in every direction through the woods, and along these the horses or oxen draw a stout sled made with wooden shoes so as to go with almost equal ease over bare ground or snow. Upon this sled is fastened a big tub called the "draw-tub." Into this the sap is gathered, being poured from the buckets at the trees and brought to the sled in pails. The draw-tub is made largest at the

bottom, so as to sit firmly upon the sled, and chained down. When the gathering team reaches the sugar house the contents of the draw-tub are pumped or dipped out and carefully strained into huge tubs called holders. Thence the sap is put into the boiling pans and after several hours boiling the contents become a syrup—a thick brown liquid half way between sap and molasses. The syrup is then taken out, carefully strained and put away in clean wooden tubs to cool and settle. If the product is to be marketed as maple syrup, it is simply bottled until of the required thickness, and then put into the gallon tin cans in which it is to be shipped. If sugar is to be made, the boiling is continued for a length of time which varies according to the form into which it is to be finished.

There are various ways of telling when the sugar is boiled enough. An experienced maker can tell by the thickness as it drips from the edge of a wooden paddle which he has dipped into it. When it has reached a certain consistency a snowball held firmly and dipped into it comes out capped with a thin brown coating, delicious to be eaten. This is called "waxing it," and is the favorite form for eating. When the cry goes up from some watcher who has been experimenting, "It's ready to wax," the visitors leave their various occupations of whittling, story telling, etc., and crowd into the sugar house, bringing with them buckets which they have filled with clean snow from some belated drift. The hot brown syrup soon cools upon the snow where it is poured, and it is then eaten with a small wooden paddle. He who has once eaten it under such conditions and surroundings will ever taste anything quite so delicious elsewhere.

Going from the fire-lighted interior of the sugar house to the outside is like going into another world, a fresh, pure world, of which most of us know

## SCIATIC TORTURE

PAIN SUFFERED BY MR. MARSTON AS GREAT AS MORTAL CAN STAND.

For Six Months



Proper Name for It.  
Joshua—See that old chap across the way?  
Eugene—Yes. What of him?  
Joshua—He's president of a curiosity school.  
Eugene—What's a curiosity school?  
Joshua—Why, a school for females.  
Lewis' "Single Blunder" straight to the point, made of extra quality tobacco. You pay 10c for cigars not so good. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

A Pessimistic View.  
Woman was made, so a poet declares, To smooth man's linen and his cares; But in this world of push and shuffle, Both, at times, she's apt to ruffle.

Pink's Cure for Consumption always gives immediate relief in all throat troubles.—P. E. Bierman, Leipsic, Ohio, Aug. 31, 1901.

## ALL SICK WOMEN

SHOULD READ MRS. FOX'S LETTER

In All Parts of the United States Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Has Succeeded Similar Cures.

Many wonderful cures of female ills are continually coming to light which have been brought about by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and

through the advice of Mrs. Pinkham of Lynn, Mass., which is given to sick women absolutely free of charge. Mrs. Pinkham has for many years made a study of the ills of her sex; she has consulted with and advised thousands of suffering women, who to-day owe not only their health but even life to her helpful advice.

Mrs. Fannie D. Fox, of 7 Chestnut Street, Bradford, Pa., writes: Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

I suffered for a long time with womb trouble, and finally was told by my physician that I had a tumor on the uterus. I was told to submit to an operation to remove it. I received your letter and did as you told me, and to-day I am completely cured. My doctor says the tumor has disappeared, and I am once more a well woman. I believe Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the best medicine in the world for women.

The testimonials which we are constantly publishing from grateful women establish beyond a doubt the power of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to conquer female diseases.

Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to promptly communicate with Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass. She asks nothing in return for her advice. It is absolutely free, and to thousands of women has proved to be more precious than gold.

**SICK HEADACHE**  
CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.  
Positively cured by this. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Bile, Nervousness, Headache, Dizziness, Stomach Troubles, Pain in the Side, Constipation, Pimples on the Face, and all the ills of the Liver. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

**Around the World**  
I have used your Fish Brand Slickers for years in the Hawaiian Islands and found them the only article that suited. I am now in this country (Africa) and think great deal of your goods. (NAME ON APPLICATION)

**HIGHEST AWARD WORLD'S FAIR, 1904.**  
The world-wide reputation of Tower's Fish Brand Slickers is attested by the fact that they are the only article of all kinds bearing this sign of the Fish.

**DO YOU COUGH**  
KEMP'S BALM  
It cures Coughs, Croup, Sore Throat, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis and Asthma. A certain cure for Consumption in its first stages, and a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once. You will see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Sold by druggists everywhere. Large bottles 50 cents and 100 cents.

**FOR SALE**  
FARM FOR SALE ON CROP PAYMENTS  
J. McLaughlin, Stout City, Ia.

**PINK'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION**  
Cures when all else fails. Best cough syrup. Tastes good. Use at once. Write for free literature. J. McLaughlin, Stout City, Ia.

**When St. Jacobs Oil**  
Hurts, Sprains, Bruises  
The muscles flex, the kinks untwist, the soreness dies out. Price 25c. and 50c.

## SEEDING IN PROGRESS IN WESTERN CANADA.

Mild Weather Is Bringing Thousands of Settlers.  
The splendid yields of wheat, oats and barley produced by the farmers of Western Canada and the excellent prices received for the same, have been the means of giving an increased interest throughout the United States. As a result the inquiries made of the agents of the Canadian Government have nearly doubled over those of the same period last year. Railroad companies are putting on increased carrying capacity to meet the demand made upon them for carrying passengers and freight. Everything points to a most prosperous year. There is room for hundreds of thousands additional settlers, much new land having been opened up for settlement this year.

It is quite interesting to look through the letters received from the Americans who have settled in Western Canada during the past few years, and considering the large number, it is surprising how few there are who have not succeeded. An extract from a letter written by Mr. Geo. W. Griewold, of Red Deer, Alta., formerly of Greber, Mont., written on the 2d of January, is as follows:

"I am located one and one-half miles from a beautiful lake ten miles long, where there is a church, school, three stores, creamery and two postoffices. The fine stock, both cattle (cows and steers), horses, hogs and sheep are rolling fat, grazing in pastures to-day, just a little snow, hardly enough for good sleighing, as we just had a blizzard which has melted the roads and laid bare the fields and pasture. There are fine wheat, oats, barley and flax raised here, also winter wheat and timothy hay for export to British Columbia. This is a mixed farming and dairy country. This is the right time to get a foothold in the Canadian West, as it was some years ago in the United States. We are free from wild rumbo and alkali here and have fine, clear, soft well and spring water at a depth of from five to twenty-five feet, and lots of open overflying springs."

Telegraphic advices from Medicine Hat say that seeding has commenced at Medicine Hat, Lettbridge, and other points. At the former place the temperature moderated gradually until on the 10th the maximum was 45 and the minimum 26. Thermometer readings since then have been as follows: 20th, 47 and 38; 21st, 54 and 34; 22d, 50 and 39; 23d, 48 and 40; 24th, 48 and 26.

During the last few days in February considerable ploughing was done near Lettbridge. P. A. Pulley, a recent arrival from Montana, ploughed and harrowed fifteen acres and E. Laliberty about the same amount. Rev. Coultter White has also been harrowing his farm. All report the ground frost-free and in excellent condition. Bricklaying has also begun in town. At Hartney, further east, on the 25th of February, the sun was warm and bright, wheeled carriages were in use and the plowed fields look as if they are ready for the press drills. There is every appearance that spring has arrived, but farmers do not wish to be deceived by appearances and consequently have not commenced to use their bluestone and seed wheat.

**Culinary Madness.**  
Baked beans have always been a mystery to those not born in the happy regions where they are a weekly occurrence. One English housekeeper, who tried to provide them for her American guests, triumphantly served them hard and partially raw. Another, armed them to equip in a quick oven. Only the trainee, however, knew the secret by which they are prepared, and, unfortunately, the trainee's efforts were not successful. The trainee's efforts were not successful. The trainee's efforts were not successful.

"You know those little white round beans?"  
"Yes. The kind we feed to our horses?"  
"The very same. Well, do you know, sir, that in Boston the enlightened ladies who think their little white round beans, boil them for three or four hours, wash them with molasses and I know not what other ingredients, bake them, and then—what do you suppose they do with the beans?"  
"They eat them, sir," interrupted the first Southerner, impressively. "Bless me, sir, they eat 'em!"

**Orders Disobeyed.**  
The orders of General Health have been disobeyed. When you feel under the weather, weak, tired, irritable, and suffer from headache, constipation, biliousness, etc. The only safe, and permanent cure for this condition is Dr. Caldwell's (Caldwell's) Syrup Pepsin. It has a gentle action all its own, superior to that of pills, powders, and cathartic waters. Try it. Sold by all druggists at 50c and \$1.00. Money back if it fails.

**FACTS AND FIGURES.**  
First—She is anything but handsome, and she hasn't even got a good figure.  
Second—She is worth half a million in her own right, and if that isn't a handsome figure, I'm no mathematician.

**A GUARANTEE CURE FOR PILLS.**  
Headache, Biliousness or Stomach Troubles. If you are troubled with any of these, write to me at once. I will send you a box of my pills, and if you do not feel better, I will send you a box of my pills, and if you do not feel better, I will send you a box of my pills.

Gratitude is life's sweetest pleasure. —Martin Luther.

**Left a Letter on the Desk**  
Our little youngster, six years old, has just reached the "learning-to-write" stage in school. Sometimes his teacher has the children copy moral precepts from the blackboard into their copy books. Among these was the statement: "Kind words are never lost." In Freddy's book, however, written clear across the paper to the other margin, this appeared: "Kind words are never lost." When he was asked: "Where is the T, Freddy?" he replied: "Oh, there was no room on the paper for the T, so I left it on the desk. You can see it there if you go to the school."

The same youngster has a sister who was married recently. Being on a visit to her parents, and happening to catch Freddy in some mischief, his sister reproved him. "Umph!" snorted Freddy, "you needn't scold me! You don't belong in my family, anyway."

## A QUICK RECOVERY.

A Prominent Officer of the Rebecca Writes to Thank Doan's Kidney Pills For It.

Mrs. C. E. Bumgardner, a local officer of the Rebecca, of Topeka, Kan., room 10, 812 Kansas avenue, writes: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills during the past year for kidney trouble and kindred ailments. I was suffering from pains in the back and head, but found after the use of one box of the remedy that the troubles gradually disappeared, so that before I had finished a second package I was well. I, therefore, heartily endorse your remedy." (Signed) MRS. C. E. BUMGARDNER.

**A FREE TRIAL.**—Address: Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents.

**A Costly Poem.**  
"My hat is a perfect poem, isn't it, John?"  
"It ought to be. I paid more for it than Bryant got for 'Thanatopsis'!" —Houston Post.

## SALT RHEUM ON HANDS.

Suffered Agony and Had to Wear Bandages All the Time—Another Cure by Cuticura.  
Another cure by Cuticura is told by Mrs. Caroline Cable, of Waipawa, Wis., in the following grateful letter: "My husband suffered agony with salt rheum on his hands, and I had to keep them bandaged all the time. We tried everything we could get, but nothing helped him until he used Cuticura. One set of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills cured him entirely, and his hands have been as smooth as possible ever since. I do hope this letter will be the means of helping some other sufferer."

**Old Fashioned Children.**  
To speak with precision, children's costumes do not begin before the closing year of the eighteenth century. Up to that time it was thought sufficient to dress the little folk, according to sex, in garments reproducing exactly those of the father and mother. Such clothes must, assuredly, have been very uncomfortable for creatures whose movements call for ease, and whose turbulence does not well accord with the stiffness of the eighteenth century ruff, or the majestic amplitude of those perukes whose solemnity appears to overshadow the intimate life of our progenitors.

It is to be observed in this connection that wherever, in our day, ancient costumes have survived the invasion of the railroad and of what we are generally agreed to call progress, this manner of dressing children still continues. Anywhere in Italy, in Holland, or in certain remote parts of Switzerland and the Tyrol, one may meet boys and girls from 5 to 10 years old promenade gravely in the habiliments of grown-up persons. And one perceives that such a fashion springs from an undeviated conception of early youth, a conception which does not measure properly all the distance that separates the man from the child.

**He Never Smiled Again.**  
"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"  
"To grammar school, kind sir," she said.  
"What could I learn there, fair maid?"  
"Good manners, perhaps, sir," she said.

## THE SIMPLE LIFE.

**Ways that Are Pleasant and Paths that Are Peace.**  
It is the simple life that gives length of days, serenity of mind and body and tranquillity of soul.

Simple hopes and ambitions, bounded by the desire to do good to one's neighbors, simple pleasures, habits, food and drink.

Men die long before their time because they try to crowd too much into their experiences—they climb too high and fall too hard. A wise woman writes of the good that a simple diet has done her:

"I have been using Grape-Nuts for about six months. I began rather hesitatingly, until I acquired such a liking for it that for the last three months I have depended upon it almost entirely for my diet, eating nothing else whatever, but Grape-Nuts for breakfast and supper, and I believe I could eat it for dinner with fruit and be satisfied without other food, and feel much better and have more strength to do my housework."  
"When I began the use of Grape-Nuts I was thin and weak, my muscles were so soft that I was not able to do any work. I weighed only 108 pounds. Nothing that I ate did me any good. I was going down hill rapidly, was nervous and miserable, with no ambition for anything. My condition improved rapidly after I began to eat Grape-Nuts food. It made me feel like a new woman; my muscles got solid, my figure rounded out, my weight increased to 128 pounds in a few weeks, my nerves grew steady and my mind better and clearer. My friends tell me they haven't seen me look so well for years."  
"I consider Grape-Nuts the best food on the market, and shall never go back to meats and white bread again." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.  
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All the tremendous efforts of the Russian police have so far failed to establish the identity of the assassin of the Grand Duke.

Serious Assassin.  
The young man, who was arrested immediately after the deed was committed, said: "I don't care what becomes of me; I completed my job." He acknowledged that he was a member of the committee of combat, known as the Terrorists, and that he had drawn by lot the privilege of serving Russia by "removing" the grand duke. In an affecting interview with the grand duke's widow a few days after the assassination he disavowed any personal feeling against his victim, sympathizing with the widow in her affliction and persisted only in the statement that he had done the deed in the service of Russia. His name and antecedents are all unknown.

Professor Jacques Loeb, who is said to have produced by artificial means the sexual fertilization of the eggs of sea urchins, has long been known as a leader in the application of new chemistry to the science of life. At the close of the year 1902 he went to the University of California from the University of Chicago, where for ten years he had performed wonderful research work. Professor Loeb is an M. D. from the University of Strasbourg, but studied in other foreign schools. As a physiologist he takes high rank. He was born in Germany April 7, 1850. It is said of him that often in the classroom he will stop in the midst of a lecture and spend several minutes in deep thought.

Judge Charles Swayne, who was acquitted by the Senate of the twelve articles of impeachment brought by the House of Representatives, has been District Judge for the Northern District of Florida since May 17, 1890. Since 1885 he has been a resident of Florida, and in 1888 was defeated as Republican candidate for the State Supreme Court. Judge Swayne was born in Delaware in 1842 and received an academic education. For a time he taught high school, and then entered the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated in 1871, and in the same year he was admitted to the Philadelphia bar.

Senator Thomas Kearns, of Utah, who in a farewell speech bitterly assailed the operations of the Mormons in Utah, began life on a farm, later worked as a mine freighter and then as a miner. He "struck it rich" in the Mayflower and Silver King mines and speedily amassed a fortune. He settled at Park City, Utah, in 1895, and became conspicuous in politics, serving as a member of the constitutional convention. He was elected to the United States Senate in 1901. Senator Kearns was born near Woodstock, Ont., in 1852, but when 10 years of age was taken by his parents to Nebraska, going thence to Utah.

Lord Hugh Cecil, whose brilliant reply to Mr. Chamberlain on the recent opening of the British Parliament raised him at once into the leadership of the Conservative party, is the youngest of the five sons of the late Lord Salisbury, and first cousin of the premier, Mr. Balfour. He has consistently continued the policy of the protectionists.

Henry O'Shan, a Pennsylvania Dutchman on both sides, represents Ellipton in the Kansas Legislature. His name, however, is distinctively Irish.

Joseph H. Douglass, grandson of Frederick Douglass, is a violinist of recognized ability.

Speaker Stubbs of the lower house of the Kansas Legislature is not conventional. When a legislator rises the Speaker does not say "the gentleman from so-and-so," but "what is it, Mr. Smith?"

Frank Jessup Scott of Cleveland owns an extraordinarily interesting collection of portraits of Julius Caesar.

Ambassador Porter, in an address in Paris, detailed his search for the grave of John Paul Jones, the American revolutionary hero. The body was buried by the hand of charity in the now abandoned St. Louis cemetery in Paris.

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From Hawaii. Prince Jonah Kaimaniani, Delegate in Congress from Hawaii, writes from Washington, D. C., as follows: "I can cheerfully recommend your Peru-NA as a very effective remedy for coughs, colds and catarrhal trouble."

A Cuban Minister. Senor Quesada, Cuban Minister to the United States, writes from Washington, D. C., as follows: "Peru-NA I can recommend as a very good medicine. It is an excellent strengthening tonic, and is also an efficacious cure for the almost universal complaint of catarrh." —(Jonas) De Quesada.

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